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Letter to Intrepid Morse

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Northampton Feb. 7. 1827.

Rev and Dear Sir

About the time I received your kind letter by the boys, you had doubtless received something in the shape of a letter from me. To this I have been some time expecting an answer now that the hurry of Xmas is over, especially as it contained one subject on which we are extremely desirous of intelligence — the books for the school. If you know any thing at all about them do write immediately & relieve our minds. Those intended for the students are needed very much — the want of them is really retarding their progress, and there some amongst them for my individual use which I am extremely anxious to obtain. The Bp. wrote us about the middle of Dec. that he had sent them on to be conveyed from Stevenage to this place by Mr Wells's sons & this is the last we have heard about them. I fear they may be either lost or wet, which is almost as bad. —

The progress of our Bishop you have learned from the Recorder. When he wrote last he was in Brooklyn - in the suburbs of New York that great city, feeling I doubt not some of Jonah reluctance to enter it. But he writes you I doubt not. -

He is going to employ a Mr Fuller as a professor in the Seminary. Do you know anything of him? -

The objection started by Mr Onderdonk to your simple "God Speed" is of a piece with the rest of his conduct & only added to my disgust at the ^{impertinence} ~~conduct~~ of these "ultras" as the Bp. calls them. It is clear to me that there is a genuine papistical spirit of aggrandizement in New York and that her Diocesan would fain be another Papa if he could. It is for the Churches throughout the Union to decide whether he shall have the power. -

As to Mr Weller I hope his paper will not circulate in Ohio while he continues to give us the cold shoulder as he does. At all events Mr Bedell has now a claim upon our patronage

which no other editor can present & I do hope
that something will be done to show our gratitude.
He is one of the "Radicals" to be sure, but it is
worthy of observation by the churchmen of this
that it is to men of his sentiments that we are
indebted for all our present prosperity & future
prospects both in England & this country. —

I must conclude hoping
you will give this a prompt ^{reply} &
if not disagreeable, touch upon the subjects allu-
-ded to in my last. — My best respects to Mr
M. & those of Mr Wells' family with whom I
have the pleasure of an acquaintance. are

I remain Rev & dear Sir your
Sincere friend & affec-
-tionate Brother in Christ

Wm Sparrow

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